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25X1 1. On 15 June 1953, Soviet troop units arrived in Poznan and were quartered
in the exhibition area near the main railroad station. Infantry, artillery
25X1 and tank units were seen. The troops continued arriving from the morning
of 15 June to the morning of the following day.

25X1 [redacted] 600 railroadmen
25X1 from the Poznan railroad district had been arrested on 25 and 26 June. The
railroadmen had, allegedly, been instigators of unrest.

25X1 [redacted]
25X1 the metal workers in Poznan were planning to stage a general strike.

25X1 2. [redacted]
[redacted] strikes had been going on in Cracow, Poznan, Breslau, Bydgoszcz, Katowice
and Oppeln, for 10 days. The strikes were directed against increased
work norms and rising prices. Prior to 6 July, about 3,000 persons had been
arrested.

25X1 [redacted] Comment. The reported arrival of Soviet troops in Poznan cannot have
been connected with events in East Germany, as it happened before 17 June.

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